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Ex parte SANDRA RICHARDSON, DOUGLAS CLARK,
MATTHEW BENNETT and JIM FINWICK

Application No. 09/334,256

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on May 30, 2003. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below:

Appellants filed an amendment on December 8, 2000 (Paper No. 6). In a communication mailed on February 14, 2001 (Paper No. 8), the examiner states on page 2 that "[t]he reply filed on 08 December 2000 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action and the amendment to the claims has not been entered, because the amendment is not properly marked to show insertions and deletions. See 37 CFR 1.121(a)(2)(ii)." However, a review of this application reveals that the amendment filed on

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